## AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 8, 2008 AMENDED IN SENATE MARCH 24, 2008

## **SENATE BILL**

No. 1277

## **Introduced by Senator Maldonado**

February 19, 2008

An act relating to synthetic turf.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1277, as amended, Maldonado. Synthetic turf.

Existing law requires all new playgrounds open to the public built by a public agency or any other entity to conform to the playground-related standards set forth by the American Society for Testing and Materials and the playground-related guidelines set forth by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission.

This bill would require, on or before September 1, 2010, the *Integrated Waste Management Board, in consultation with the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment and the* State Department of Public Health, to prepare and make available to the public provide to the Legislature and post on the board's Internet Web site a study on the best practices for cleaning and maintaining effects of synthetic turf and natural turf on the environment and public health.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) By September 1, 2010, the State Department
- 2 of Public Health shall prepare and make available to the public a
- 3 study on the best practices for cleaning and maintaining synthetic

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1 turf, including cleaning practices to prevent the spread of

- 2 methicillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus and other bacteria.
- 3 Integrated Waste Management Board, in consultation with the
- 4 Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment and the State
- 5 Department of Public Health, shall prepare and provide to the
- 6 Legislature and post on the board's Internet Web site a study that
- 7 compares the effects of synthetic turf and natural turf on the
- 8 environment and the public health.

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10 11 (b) For purposes of this section, synthetic turf means any composition material that includes crumb rubber used to cover or surface a field as an alternative to grass.